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SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION OF EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATION

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1) ADHERENCE TO NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY PER SE IS NO LONGER GUARANTEE OF INCLUSION AMONG COUNTRIES ON SUPPLEMENT 2 TO PART 373 OF THE EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REGULATIONS, WHICH RELATES TO EXPORTS OF CERTAIN CALIBER OF COMPUTERS UNDER THE DISTRIBUTION LICENSE PROCEDURE. A REVIEW OF THE POLICY REGARDING THE LIBERAL PROVISIONS OF THIS PROCEDURE AS RELATES TO COMPUTERS IS NOW UNDER WAY, AND IT IS LIKELY THAT THERE WILL BE VARIOUS CHANGES TO REFLECT DIFFERENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOREIGN POLICY OBJECTIVES OF THE USG. THESE CHANGES WILL BE REPORTED IN EXPORT ADMINISTRATION BULLETINS.

2) FOR YOUR INFORMATION, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE IS AWARE THAT AUSTRALIA, AS A TREATY ADHERENT, AS WELL AS A SCORE OF OTHER COUNTRIES, SHOULD BE ADDED TO SUPPLEMENT UNDER THE OLD GUIDELINES, WHICH DATE BACK TO 1971. ABOVE MENTIONED

REVIEW HAS PRETTY MUCH ESTABLISHED THAT AUSTRALIA WILL ENJOY THE MORE LIBERAL TREATMENT AVAILABLE--WHATEVER THAT MAY BE. ADDITION OF THAT COUNTRY TO SUPPLEMENT WILL TAKE PLACE IN JUNE 1 REVISION OF REGULATIONS.

- 3) ONE OR TWO US COMPUTER COMPANIES HAVE BEEN MAKING ISSUE OF THIS POINT WITH COMMERCE. THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD TO AWAIT CHANGES IN THE REGULATIONS SINCE IT WOULD BE DISCRIMINATORY TO GRANT ADVANCE PERMISSION TO SHIP LARGER COMPUTERS TO COMPANIES THAT HAVE RAISED PROBLEM BEFORE OTHER COMPANIES ARE INFORMED OF POLICY CHANGE.
- 4) PLEASE IDENTIFY US COMPUTER MANUFACTURER SUBSIDIARY IN QUESTION AND COMMERCE WILL CONTACT PARENT COMPANY. CHRISTOPHER

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